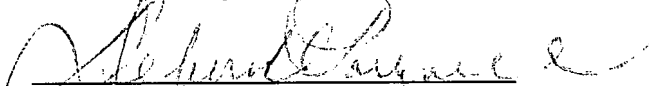


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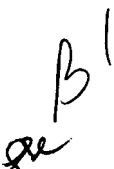
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ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

 An electrode arrangement for electrothermal treatment of human or animal bodies is provided, having at least one electrode for insertion into the body, said electrode being situated on an electrode support. <sup>The</sup> ~~said~~ electrode is connected to an alternating current source via a supply lead and to a temperature stabilizer device for influencing the effective temperature profile in the treatment area. The electrode support and the electrode, or